Non-bailable arrest warrants against Imaan, spouse withdrawn

By Malik Asad

ISLAMABAD: An Islamabad court on Thursday withdrew non-bailable arrest warrants issued a day earlier against human rights activist and lawyer Imaan Zainab Mazari-Hazir and her husband, Advocate Hadi Ali Chattha, in a social media posts case.

The National Cybercrime Investigation Agency (NCIA) had registered a case against Mazari and Chattha, accusing the two of attempting to incite divisions on linguistic grounds through social media posts and of creating the impression that the armed forces were engaged in terrorism within the country.

Additional District and Sessions Judge (ADSJ) Muhammad Afzal Majoka hadindictedthe two in the case last week, in which both denied the charges.

At yesterday'shearing, the court issued non-bailable arrest warrants to the couple over repeated non-appearance. However, the accused alleged that they had appeared in front of the court and termed the hearing a "sham trial". Today's hearing, presided over by ADSJ Majoka, was called twice in the morning —first at 8:45am and later at 10:16am— but the accused did not appear, after which the hearing was adjourned.

However, later, the couple appeared before the court, and the hearing resumed. During the hearing, Mazari requested the court to allow her time to hire legal counsel.

Mazari also requested that the indictment be read out to them in court. In response to this, ADSJ Majoka said that the indictment had already been read three times, including in the presence of legal representatives.

Chattha — whose power of attorney had been submitted earlier by Advocate Samiullah Wazir — also requested the court to remove the state counsel appointed for him.

To this, the court clarified that it had not appointed the state counsel and that only the relevant committee responsible for the appointment and could remove them if required.

On the other side, the prosecutor was against granting the accused any more time. He went on to argue that statements of witnesses should be recorded and, if necessary, a state counsel could continue representing the accused.

On the matter of Mazari's legal representation, ADSJ Majoka directed that the power of attorney for Mazari's counsel be submitted on Saturday.

He adjourned the hearing to Saturday as well.

He also stated that arguments regarding the continuation or removal of the state counsel will also be heard on Saturday, after which the court will decide the matter.

Over the appearance of both of the accused, the court suspended the arrest warrants against the couple.

Draft act ready for setting up Potohar Water Board

Once established, board will pay special focus on stalled mega Tarbala water project for twin cities, says official

By Kashif Abbasi

ISLAMABAD: A draft Act has been finalised for setting up Potohar Water Board (PWB) aimed at resolving the water scarcity issue in the twin cities of Rawalpindi and Islamabad.

The proposed legislation was recently vetted by the ministry of law. Once approved by parliament, PWB will have a secretariat at the CDA headquarters. It will be headed by the secretary interior and will have 13 members, including two experts from the private sector, who will be appointed for three years.

Rawalpindi and Islamabad have been facing growing water scarcity. In Islamabad, the CDA has only three main sources - Simly Dam, Khanpur Dam and tubewells.

From these three sources, barely up to 70 million gallon per day is supplied, mainly to the urban areas. The rural population is dependent either on bored water or small schemes.

According to CDA's documents, the actual demand of Islamabad is 283 mgd (264 actual and 37mgd distribution losses).

Sources said the PWB will pay special focus on the stalled mega Tarbala project, which was proposed in 2008 to bring 200mgd for the twin cities, but could not move beyond files.

According to proposed legislation, "The Board shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal. It shall have the power, subject to the provisions of this Act, to enter into agreements and contracts, acquire, hold, and sell property, both movable and immovable, and shall have the authority to sue and be sued." The proposed board will be a unified body of various organisations to focus on resolving water issues of twin cities.

The draft legislation said the jurisdiction of PWB will be extended to any bulk water source, reservoir, storage facility or water transport infrastructure that is not supplied with water drawn from Indus River or any dam constructed; or any dam or river situation within the province of KP or Punjab.

"The board's jurisdiction shall extend to the entire water-transport system conveying water from the Tarbela and Khanpur reservoirs to any bulk water source, reservoir, or storage facility designated for that purpose."

It will also work for prevention of water contamination, pollution or degradation of any bulk-water source, reservoir, water-transport infrastructure, or water body under its jurisdiction. Besides other functions, the board will also issue fishing permits.

"The Board shall consist of a Chairman and twelve members. The Secretary, Ministry of Interior and Narcotics Control shall be the Chairman of the Board," read the draft legislation.

The board shall be entrusted with the following functions: to develop plan, evaluate, develop and monitor sustainable water resources for Islamabad and Rawalpindi; ensure conservation, redistribution, augmentation and sustainable use of water resources for equitable long-term supply to Islamabad and Rawalpindi; conduct hydrological studies, water audits, demand forecasting and publish data to support long-term water sustainability planning; determine water-usage charges and recover the same from relevant entities utilising water from board-managed infrastructure.

School timings changed amid construction work on Pindi roads

By Aamir Yasin & Mohammad Asghar

RAWALPINDI: The district administration has announced new school timings in the garrison city to minimise traffic congestion during the ongoing construction work on the remodeling of Kutchery Chowk.

A notification issued by Deputy Commissioner Dr Hassan Waqar Cheema said due to the ongoing construction work at Kutchery Chowk schools falling under Subdivision Cantonment and Subdivision City shall remain open from 7:45am to 12:45pm.

This measure has been taken to ensure smooth traffic flow and safety of students, it added.

On the other hand, Punjab Education Department has already revised school timings across the province due to the worsening smog conditions. As per a notification, no educational institution will be allowed to open before 8:45am.

It said any school opening before 8:45am will be considered in violation of the directive and may face fines ranging from Rs100,000 to Rs1 million.

The Punjab government officially revised school timings, effective from October 27 until April 15, 2026.

The difference of timings however created confusion among the students and private schools. However, District Education Authority asked all private and public schools in the garrison city to follow the instructions issued by the local administration.

When contacted, District Education Authority Chief Executive Officer Tariq Mehmood said the new timings were issued only for cantonment and city areas while schools in Gujar Khan, Taxila, Kallar Syedan, Kotli Sattian and Murree had to follow the instructions of the provincial education department.

He said as the traffic suffered due to the closure of the roads, there was a dire need to adjust timings of schools and private offices, colleges and universities.

He said the district administration issued the notification after permission from the provincial government. He was not sure about the timeline for the new timings of schools and said till the completion of the construction work, the schools had to follow the new timings.

Congestion on alternative roads

Alternative routes that thousands of vehicles were diverted to remained congested on the fourth day as these were in poor condition even though the traffic police had asked the authorities concerned to repair them before the start of the work on Kutchery Chowk remodeling project.

Commuters faced lots of hardship though the traffic police had mapped out a traffic plan to facilitate road users and keep the public aware of the congestion on highways from time to time.

The alternative routes, especially Bostan Road and Rahimabad road, needed urgent repair.

Due to the closure of Kutchery Chowk, thousands of commuters and more than 250,000 vehicles that used it daily have been affected.

Not only commuters, residents of the adjoining areas have also been expressing their frustration over the decision to designate their roads as alternative routes. Encroachments and heaps of garbage lying along roadsides, especially on Tipu Road and Rahimabad, have made their lives miserable due to smoke and noise of vehicles.

Some of the residents of housing societies located along G.T. Road are now prefer staying at home and work online as it takes hours in reaching their offices or other workplaces.

Students as well as teachers are equally affected due to the situation as they have been facing considerable delays in reaching their destinations.

"I used to leave home at 7am to reach my university but due to the closure of Kutchery Chowk, I have to leave 45 minutes before. And not to talk about the evening when there are long queues of vehicles on Murree Road. Alternative routes are packed and vehicular movement is slower," an assistant professor said.

PMDC denies involvement of driver in medical admissions scam

By Our Staff Reporter

ISLAMABAD: While the Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) has arrested an official of the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (PMDC) for his alleged involvement in a medical college admissions scam, the PMDC claimed that the official, a driver, cannot be involved in such an illegal activity.

Moreover, it said PMDC had also nothing to do with admissions as these were done by universities.

In an official statement, the council rejected reports alleging the arrest of an official in connection with the admission scam.

It said the individual apprehended by the FIA was a driver named Sadam Hussain performing general pool duty at the council, a low-ranked support staff member with no access to any operational section or decision-making process.

"He was neither posted in nor had any role related to admissions, registration, or policy matters. His access was limited strictly to general driving duties," the statement explained.

"However, upon receiving complaints about the alleged misconduct, an internal inquiry was initiated at the departmental level."

The employee was suspended from service for misconduct and his salary was stopped in accordance with departmental procedures.

"PMDC has a strict zero-tolerance policy towards corruption, fraud and any misuse of authority," the statement read. "The council acted swiftly and responsibly upon learning of the matter, ensuring internal accountability and extending full support to the investigating agency."

The PMDC reiterated that it had no role in the national admission process for medical and dental colleges, as admissions fall purely under the prerogative of the provincial admitting universities.

"The council regularly advises students and parents to avoid dealing with any unauthorised individuals or intermediaries and to rely solely on official PMDC communication channels and platforms for admission-related information and guidance," the statement added.

GWADAR PORT AUTHORITY
Pak-China Friendship Avenue, Gwadar, Office No. 0864-212301

CORRIGENDUM

With reference to Invitation to e-bids issued by Gwadar Port Authority for the Project works "Infrastructure Work of Off-Dock Terminal at Gwadar" advertised in Daily Dawn (Karachi) and Daily Intekhab (Hub) Newspapers on 16th October 2025 having PID(K)#1317/25 & PPRA website on 14th October 2025 having tender No-TS681147E, in published bidding document, the quantity of Steel of Civil Work of Boundary Wall at BOQ Serial No-3 is 108,995 KG however, due to typographical error it was shown as 108.995 KG. Bidders are required to consider the quantity of Steel of Civil Work of Boundary Wall at S.No-3 as 108,995 KG and quote rates for 108,995 KG steel accordingly.

Electronic Bids will now be submitted on **12th November 2025** at **11:00AM** and will be opened on same day at **11:30AM.** Other terms & condition will remain same.

Project Director
Infrastructure Works of Off-Dock Terminal at Gwadar,
Gwadar Port Authority Head Office Gwadar
PID K-1573/25

COURT NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE-IV, HYDERABAD (BEFORE MS. FARHAT MEHTAB) First Class Suit No. 1121 Of 2025 , Mohammad Saad Saeed S/o Saeed Ahmed Qureshi, Muslim, Adult, Resident of House No C-16 Prince Town Qasimabad, Hyderabad. PLAINTIFT, VERSUS, 1.Federation of Pakistan Through secretary Ministry of Railways Block-D, Pakistan Secretariat, Islamabad. 2. Province of Sindh through Member Board of Revenue, Shahbaz Building,Thandi Sarak, Hyderabad. 3. Pakistan Railways through General Manager, Lahore. 4. Divisional Superintendent, Pakistan Railway, Karachi City. 5.The Deputy Director P&L for Director,Property & Land Pakistan Railways Divisional Office, Karachi. 6. Chief Executive Officer (REDAMCO) Railway Estate Development, Marketing Company, Pvt: Limited. 1st Floor Rail Coop: Factory 1-11/1 Islamabad. 7. The Manager North (REDAMCO) Railway Estate Development. Marketing Company Pvt: Limited. 8.Regional Director. Sindh Building Control Authority. Hyderabad Having office at Thandi Sarak. Hyderabad. 9. Mukhtiarkar City. Hyderabad. DEFENDANTS. WHEREAS, the above named Plaintiff has filed SUIT FOR DECLARATION, PERMANENT INJUNCTION AND RECOVERY OF DAMASES AMOUNTING TO RS:100,000,000/- and so also filed Application Under order 39 Rule 1 & 2 R/W Section 151 CPC against you in this Court. Since it is not possible to serve you in ordinary manner, therefore, you are hereby given, notice through this publication to appear before this court on the hearing viz. 13-11-2025 at 8.30.a.m. personally and file your Written Statement if any. If no appearance is made by yourself or on your behalf through your advocate or anyone else duly authorized by law the above case will be heard and decided in your absence according to law. Given under my hand and seal of the Court this the 03rd Day of November, 2025. By Order: C.O.C. Senior Civil Judge-IV, Hyderabad.

IN THE HON'BLE COURT OF SPECIAL JUDGE (CUSTOMS, TAXATION & ANTI-SMUGGLING-II), KARACHI

Case No. ASO-439/2023-HQ
Special Case No. 229/2023
P.S. CUSTOMS, KARACHI.

The State ... Versus ... Abdul Wahid & Others

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON UNDER SECTION 87 C.r.PC.

Whereas, complaint has been made before me that namely **1) Muhammad Waleed S/o Abdul Ghafoor, Holding CNIC No. 42201-3142859-7 R/o Shalimar Garden 130/2 Flat No. G-11, Garden East Karachi** has committed an offence of smuggling and it had been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused person cannot be found and whereas it had been shown to my satisfaction that the above mentioned accused person absconded to avoid the service of the said warrant.

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused is required to appear on 22.11.2025 at 09:00 am before this Hon'able Court to answer the said complaint.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court this 01.11.2025.

Special Judge
Special Court, (Custom-II), Karachi

PID K.1572/25

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
CUSTOMS ACADEMY OF PAKISTAN
Old Custom House, Eduljee Dinshaw Road, Karachi
Ph: 021-99214-223 Fax: 021-9921-4232

C.No. 12(04) Project/Repair/2025/ Dated: 28.10.2025

TENDER FOR REPAIR AND REFURBISHMENT OF OFFICE BUILDING OF CUSTOMS ACADEMY OF PAKISTAN, KARACHI

Sealed bids are invited through the EPADS system from the firms of good repute for the repair & refurbishment (including civil work) of the Office Building of Customs Academy of Pakistan (Old Custom House), Karachi as per terms and conditions mentioned below:

Submission of Bids:
1. All bidding documents, terms and conditions, eligibility criteria, and detailed information are available on the website of Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) (www.ppra.org.pk). Interested bidders may download the documents directly with key details.
2. Bids are to be submitted through **EPADS**
3. Bid submission deadline: 17.11.2025 at 03:00 pm
4. Bid Opening: 27.11.2025 at 03:30 pm
5. Bid security: 5% of total quoted amount (pay order in favour of **Directorate General of Training and Research (Customs), Karachi)**
6. Performance guarantee: 5% of contract value (after award)
7. Contract Validity: upto 30.06.2026
8. Bidders can inspect the building and other areas on working days during office hours.

Bidders Must Provide:
1. Firm registration (on E-PADS, valid NTN & SRB)
2. Firm profile (address, landline, email, bank details, active tax status)
3. Experience: Minimum 05 years
4. Bid security: 5% pay order uploaded and submitted physically
5. Stamp pad and signed documents: Uploaded and hard copies submitted

Tender Eligibility:
1. The intending bidders must be registered with Pakistan Engineering Council in appropriate category.
2. Copy of Sales Tax Registration, Income Tax (NTN) and SRB certificate should be submitted along with the bid.
3. Bidders are required to submit complete certificates of evidence of the contracts carried out by their firms for the last three (03) years with different Companies / Government Organizations on the "Profile Form" available with bidding documents.

Evaluation & Award Process:
1. Bids are evaluated by the procurement (evaluation) committee via EPADS
2. Non-compliant or incomplete bids are marked non-responsive
3. Lowest or most advantageous bidder wins based on qualification & experience
4. After evaluation, Letter of Intent (LoI) is issued; contract sgined within 14 days

General conditions:
1. All rates must be inclusive of all taxes
2. Bid remains fixed for F.Y. 2025-26 (no escalation allowed)
3. All communication and clarifications handled through EPADS
4. Customs Academy reserves the right to accept/reject bids or modify quantities

(Muhammad Zohaib)
Deputy Director (Admin)

PID K.1568/25

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
COLLECTORATE OF CUSTOMS (ENFORCEMENT)
CUSTOM HOUSE KARACHI
6th Floor Custom House, Eduljee Dinshaw Road, Karachi
Ph: 021-99214168 Fax: 021-99214234

INVITATION TO E-BIDS THROUGH E-PADS
"FOR REPAIR AND RECONSTRUCTION/REHABILITATION OF BOUNDARY WALL AND INSTALLATION OF MAIN GATE AT GULISTAN-E-JOHAR, KARACHI"
Tender No. 03/2025-26

The Collectorate of Customs (Enforcement), Karachi invites e-bids through the E-PADS system for the repair and reconstruction/rehabilitation of boundary wall and installation of main gate at Gulistan-e-Johar, Karachi.

	Description	Procedure	Bid Security	Bid Opening
01	Repair and reconstruction/ rehabilitation of boundary wall and installation of main gate at Gulistan-e-Johar, Karachi	Single Stage, One Envelope.	2% of total quoted amount (Pay Order in favor of Collectorate)	20th November, 2025 At 12:30 pm

All bidding documents, terms & conditions, eligibility criteria, and detailed information are available on the websites of **Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA)** (www.ppra.org.pk) and **Federal Board of Revenue (FBR)** (www.fbr.gov.pk). Interested firms/contractors/suppliers/ bidders may download the documents directly with key details:

- Bid Submission Deadline: **20th November 2025,** 12:00 PM
- Bid Opening: 20th November 2025, 12:30 PM
- Pre-Bid Meeting: 15th November 2025, 12:00 PM
- Bid Security: 2% of total quoted amount (Pay Order in favor of Collectorate)
- Performance Guarantee: 5% of contract value (after award)
- Contract Validity: Up to 30th June 2026
- Completion Time: 90 days

Bidders Must Provide:
1. Firm registration (on E-PADS, FBR, with valid NTN & Sales Tax registration and Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC)
2. Firm profile (address, landline, email, bank details, active tax status)
3. Experience: Minimum 3 years (proof of government supply orders from FY 2022-23 to 2024-25)
4. Financial Soundness: Bank statement with minimum Rs. 30 million balance (as of 30 June 2025)
5. Performance Certificates: From at least two government departments
6. No Blacklisting Affidavit: Rs.100 stamp paper declaration
7. Bid Security: 2% Pay Order uploaded and submitted physically
8. Stamped & Signed Documents: Uploaded and hard copies submitted

Evaluation & Award Process
- Bids are evaluated by the Procurement (Evaluation) Committee via E-PADS.
- Non-compliant or incomplete bids are marked non-responsive.
- Lowest or most advantageous bidder wins based on technical and financial compliance.
- Samples may be required for quality verification during the pre-bid meeting.
- After evaluation, Letter of Intent (LoI) is issued; contract signed within 14 days.

General Conditions
- All rates must be inclusive of all taxes.
- Prices remain fixed for FY 2025-26 (no escalation allowed).
- Substandard or damaged supplies will lead to replacement, forfeiture, and blacklisting.
- All communication and clarifications handled through E-PADS.
- Collectorate reserves the right to accept/reject bids or modify quantities.

A **Pre-Bid Meeting** will be held on 15th November, 2025 at 12:00pm at **Admin Branch, Collectorate of Custom Enforcement, Custom House, Karachi** to address queries of interested bidders or can contact to 021-99214212 and WhatsApp 0300-6080240.

The bids, prepared in accordance with the instructions provided in the bidding documents, must reach Admin Branch, Collectorate of Customs Enforcement, Custom House, Karachi by Thursday **20th November, 2025** before **12:00 pm.** The bids will be opend on the same day at 02:30 pm in the presence of bidders.

(Toufique Ahmed)
Assistant Collector HQs

PID K.1567/25

INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
H.E.J. RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF CHEMISTRY
DR. PANJWANI CENTER FOR MOLECULAR MEDICINES & DRUG RESEARCH
UNIVERSITY OF KARACHI, KARACHI-75270.

Re-TENDER NOTICE NO: ICCBS-HEJ-PRF-13879-251125 (3rd Time).
"Purchase of Scientific Equipment"

Sealed tenders are invited from EPADS Vendors/Suppliers, registered with the Sindh Revenue Board and Income Tax Department (where applicable) through EPADS (E-Pak Acquisition and Disposal System) for **"Purchase of Scientific Equipment"** for the project entitled ***"Up-gradation/ Operation of CPQL and FPTRL at the Department of Plant Protection, Karachi by HEJRIC, ICCBS"*** on the ***FOR Basis*** on ***Single Stage One Envelope*** procedure for the Center.

Tender Schedule: Date and Time

Tender Issuance From	Tender Issuance Till	Tender Submission	Tender Opening
10 November 2025	24 November 2025	25-November-2025 11:30 A.M. Through EPADS	25-November-2025 12:00 Noon Through EPADS

Bidding documents can be obtained or downloaded from EPADS **(www.portalsindh.eprocure.gov.pk)** or ICCBS websites **(www.iccs.edu)**. Bidding documents (signed & Stamped) along with earnest money must be submitted through EPADS as per the above schedule. The Original Bid Security Pay Order must reach the Purchase Department ICCBS before the deadline for submission of bids.

The tender fee of Rs. 1,000/- (non-refundable) must be deposited in United Bank Limited Account No. **1146-291497301** entitled **"International Center for Chemical and Biological Sciences Tender Account"**. The original Deposit Slip / Online Deposit Receipt must be submitted along with the bid.

Earnest Money equivalent to 2% of the bid value must be submitted in the form of a Pay Order in favour of the **"International Center for Chemical and Biological Sciences Tender Account"** at the ICCBS Purchase Office.

An alternate bid/option should accompany a separate pay order for earnest money. The Procuring Agency may reject all or any bid subject to the relevant provision of SPP Rule No. 25,

For any information and details:
Purchase & Store Dept.
Tel # 111-222-292 (159,109, 108),02134819011.
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